

Application No. 10/650,471
Docket No. 2003U025.US
Reply to Office Action Dated 11/09/2004

Remarks

Restriction

Applicant affirms the provisional election to prosecute Group I (Claims 1-16) set of claims, and herein cancels without prejudice Claims 17-27 without traverse.

Specification

The specification at page 6 was objected to due to the purported inconsistency between the "R'" that is terminal on one end and the "R'" that is terminal at the other end of the chemical formula, but adjacent to a "Z".

As can be seen from the working examples and the specification as a whole, the Applicant does not intend, necessarily, to imply by the formula in Claim 5, page 3 and page 6 of the specification that the "Z" group is chemically bound to the R' group. In fact, what is meant by the chemical formula is that the support, represented by "Z", is merely associated with the entire group "R'-Al-O-Al-R'", that associated not limited in any particular manner other than the "R'-Al-O-Al-R'" is supported thereon as is known in the art and otherwise defined at paragraph [0017]. Thus, to clarify, the Applicant has amended the specification and claims at paragraphs [0007] and [0022] to reflect such an association.

The Applicant requests that this rejection be withdrawn.

Section 112 Rejections, second paragraph

Claims 1 through 6 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph as indefinite. The Applicant remarks and/or amends accordingly:

The step of —combining the supported activator with one or more polymerization catalysts— is added to Claim 1, derivation for which can be found at, for example, paragraph [0006].

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Claims 7 and 14 are amended to be consistent with the amended Claim 1.

Claim 5 is amended as described above for the specification amendments. Claim 5 is also amended to include the phrase "metal/metalloid oxide or" derived from paragraph [0022] of the specification as filed.

No new matter is believed to be added.

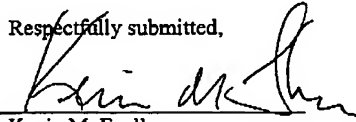
The Applicant requests that these rejections be withdrawn.

It is submitted that the case is in condition for allowance. The Applicant invites the Examiner to telephone the undersigned attorney if there are any other issues outstanding which have not been presented to the Examiner's satisfaction.

Date

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